UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK X
ARTISTRY FABRICS, INC. d/b/a HAMIL
TEXTILES, Plaintiff,

CIVIL ACTION NO. 07 CIV. 4842 (GEL)

-against-

THE CATO CORPORATION, CATO STORES, INC. and DAGIA'S, INC. d/b/a/ Red Hot,

Defendants.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AUTHORITY TO ACCEPT SERVICE AND RECEIPT AND ACCEPTANCE OF SERVICE OF SUMMONS AND COMPLAINT

- I, Robert E. Hanlon, Esq., hereby declare the following under penalties of perjury:
- 1. I am an attorney duly licensed to practice in this Court and a member of the firm & Bird LLP, anomeys for Defendants The Cato Corporation and Dagia's, Inc. d/b/a/ Red Hot, in this action.
- 2. I am authorized to accept service of the Summons and Complaint in this action on behalf of Defendants The Cato Corporation and Dagia's, Inc. d/b/a/ Red Hot.
- 3. I acknowledge receipt and accept service of the Summons and Complaint in this action on behalf of Defendants The Cato Corporation and Dagia's, Inc. d/b/a/ Red Hot on this day of July, 2007.

DATED: NEW YORK, NEW YORK
July / 2007

Robert E. Hanlon (RHJ714)